

Instructions to complete an application for a Solicitor or Peddler Permit in the Town of Cheshire

(Per C.G.S. Sec. 21-36, the term “Peddler” and “Hawker can be used interchangeably)
(Revised 3/2026)

To process your request for a Solicitor or Peddler Permit, the following attached items must be completed and submitted to the Cheshire Police Department Records Division:

- Application for Solicitor or Peddler Permit
- A copy of your “Sales and Tax Use Permit” issued by the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services
- A copy of any special or trade licenses if applicable
- A copy of your Driver’s License or State of CT Issued Identification Card
- 2 passport style photographs that have been taken within the proceeding 60 days
- A cashier’s check or money order in the amount of \$100.00 made payable to the Town of Cheshire must be submitted with your application
- A signed certificate from the Cheshire Zoning Department authorizing such business or activities. It is the applicant’s responsibility to get this document signed by the Cheshire Zoning Department located in the Town Hall at 84 South Main Street, Cheshire, CT. (Certificate is attached)
- Permits are valid for a period of one year

Regulation of peddlers and solicitors in the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Cheshire per Sec. 13-32:

Definition of a Peddler: Peddler means any person, whether principal or agent, who goes from town to town or place to place in the town selling, bartering, exposing for sale or barter, or carrying for sale or barter, either privately or publicly, any goods, wares or merchandise, either on foot or from any animal or vehicle. This definition shall not apply to those who sell or barter at a private residence at the invitation of the owner or occupant of said residence in conformity with the zoning laws of the town.

Definition of a Solicitor: Solicitor means any person who goes upon the premises of any private residence in the town, not having been invited by the occupant thereof, for the purpose of taking or attempting to take orders for the sale of goods, merchandise, wares or other personal property of any nature for future delivery, whether or not deposits or advance payments are collected. This definition also includes any person who, without invitation, goes upon private property to request contributions of funds or anything of value, or sell goods or services for political, charitable, religious or other noncommercial purposes.

No permittee, or other persons, while conducting the activities of a peddler or solicitor shall enter upon any private property, knock on doors or otherwise disturb persons in their residences between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Hours and locations for where business and activities will be conducted. Note: No permittee, or other persons, while conducting the activities of a peddler or solicitor shall enter upon any private property, knock on doors or otherwise disturb persons in their residences between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m.

Locations	Hours

Description of vehicles to be used while conducting business or activities:

Make/Model	Year	Color	Registration # and State

I hereby certify that the information provided is true and accurate. I understand that if I have falsified any information in this application or on the attached pages, I will not be entitled to the license sought or this license may be revoked or suspended. I fully understand that if I intentionally make a statement that is untrue and which is intended to mislead a public servant in the performance of his or her official function, I will be in violation of Section 53a-157b of the Connecticut General Statutes for False Statement and may be subject to arrest.

Date: _____ Signature of Applicant: _____
 (Must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes.

 Signature of Notary Public

 Print Name of Notary Public

My Commission expires: _____

CHESHIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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(203)271-5500 – 24 Hour Fax (203) 271-5515 – Chief’s Office Fax (203)271-556



ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER’S CERTIFICATE

Prior to obtaining any permit, the applicant must obtain approval and signature of the Zoning Enforcement Officer at the Planning and Zoning Department Office, Cheshire Town Hall, 84 South Main Street, Cheshire, CT.

APPLICATION FOR:

SOLICITATION

HAWKER/PEDDLER

APPLICANTS NAME: _____

NATURE OF BUSINESS: _____

THE PROPOSED ACITIVITY CONFORMS TO THE ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF CHESHIRE

THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY DOES NOT CONFORM TO THE ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE TOWN OF CHESHIRE. A PERMIT SHOULD NOT BE ISSUED.

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER SIGNITURE

DATE